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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION WITH REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 16, 2002, setting a three-month term for reply.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the period for the reply be extended by three months, i.e., to up to and including June 16, 2002. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$920.00 in payment of the fee therefore, and any additionally required fee for the extension, or any other fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.